

Accelerated Algebra 1 – UNIT 1 Relationships between Quantities and Reasoning with Equations

Critical Area: By the end of eighth grade students have learned to solve linear equations in one variable and have applied graphical and algebraic methods to analyze and solve systems of linear equations in two variables. This unit builds on these earlier experiences by asking students to analyze and explain the process of solving an equation. Students develop fluency writing, interpreting, and translating between various forms of linear equations and inequalities, and using them to solve problems. They master the solution of linear equations and apply related solution techniques and the laws of exponents to the creation and solution of simple exponential equations. All of this work is grounded on understanding quantities and on relationships between them.

CLUSTERS	COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS
(m) Interpret the structure of expressions. Limit to linear expressions and to exponential expressions with integer exponents.	 A.SSE.1 Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context.★ a. Interpret parts of an expression, such as terms, factors, and coefficients. b. Interpret complicated expressions by viewing one or more of their parts as single entity. <i>For example, interpret P(1+r)n as the product of P and a factor not depending on P</i>.
(m) Understand solving equations as a process of reasoning and explain the reasoning. Students should focus on and master A.REI.1 for linear equations and be able to extend and apply their reasoning to other types of equations in future courses.	A.REI.1 Explain each step in solving a simple equation as following from the equality of numbers asserted at the previous step, starting from the assumption that the original equation has a solution. Construct a viable argument to justify a solution method.
(m) Solve equations and inequalities in one variable. Extend earlier work with solving linear equations to solving linear inequalities in one variable and to solving literal equations that are linear in the variable being solved for. Include simple exponential equations that rely only on application of the laws of exponents, such as $5x = 125$ or $2x = \frac{1}{16}$.	A.REI.3 Solve linear equations and inequalities in one variable, including equations with coefficients represented by letters.A.REI.3.1 Solve one-variable equations and inequalities involving absolute value, graphing the solutions and interpreting them in context. CA addition
(s/a) Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems.	N.Q.1 Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data
Working with quantities and the relationships	displays.
expressions, equations, and functions.	N.Q.2 Define appropriate quantities for the purpose of descriptive modeling. N.Q.3 Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.

(s/a) Create equations that describe numbers or	A.CED.1 Create equations and inequalities in one variable and use them to solve problems. Include	
relationships.	equations arising from linear and quadratic functions, and simple rational and exponential functions.	
<i>Limit A.CED.1 and A.CED.2 to linear and</i>	A.CED.2 Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph	
exponential equations, and, in the case of	equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales.	
exponential equations, limit to situations requiring	A.CED.3 Represent constraints by equations or inequalities, and by systems of equations and/or	
evaluation of exponential functions at integer inputs.	inequalities, and interpret solutions as viable or non-viable options in a modeling context. For example,	
Limit A.CED.3 to linear equations and inequalities.	represent inequalities describing nutritional and cost constraints on combinations of different foods.	
Limit A.CED.4 to formulas which are linear in the	A CED 4 Rearrange formulas to highlight a quantity of interest, using the same reasoning as in solving	
variable of interest.	equations. For example, rearrange Ohm's law $V = IR$ to highlight resistance R.	
MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES		
1. Make sense of problems and persevere in	As you begin the year, it is advised that you start with MP1 and MP3 and MP4 to set up your expectations	
solving them.	of your classroom. This will help you and your students become proficient in the use of these practices.	
2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.	All other practices may be evident based on tasks and classroom activities.	
3. Construct viable arguments and critique		
the arguments of others.		
4. Model with mathematics.		
5. Use appropriate tools strategically.		
6. Attend to precision.		
7. Look for and make use of structure.		
8. Look for and express regularity in repeated		
reasoning.		
LEARNING PROGRESSIONS		

CDE Progress to Algebra K-8 <u>www.cde.ca.gov/be/cc/cd/documents/updateditem12catt3.doc</u>

	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS		ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS	KEY VOCABULARY
• Un	derstand that numbers in real world applications often	•	What are the "pieces" of an algebraic	Absolute Value
hav	ve units attached to them, and they are considered		expression? What do they represent in the context	Equation
qua	antities.		of the real-world situation?	Equality
• Un	derstand the structure of algebraic expressions and	•	What do the parts of an expression tell us in a	Expression
pol	lynomials.		real-world context?	Exponent
• Un	derstand general linear equations $(\Box = \Box \Box + \Box, \Box \neq 0)$	•	How would you describe the difference between	Graph
anc	d their graphs and extend this to work with absolute		an expression and an equation?	Inequality
val	ue equations, linear inequalities, and systems of linear	•	How do the properties of equality and order of	Linear equation
equ	uations.		operations extend to support the solving of an	Linear inequality
• The	e properties of equality and order of operation can be		equation?	Polynomial
use	ed to solve an equation by using inverse operations.	•	Why is it important to be able to solve linear	System of linear equations
• Sol var	riable that make the equation/inequality true.		equations and inequalities in one variable?	Variable

RESOURCES	INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES	ASSESSMENT
Materials:	Start by directing students to understand written	SBAC - http://www.smarterbalanced.org/
California Revised Mathematics Framework:	sequence of steps for solving linear equations which	
• <u>http://www.cde.ca.gov/be/cc/cd/draftmathfwcha</u>	is code for a narrative line of reasoning that would	PARCC -
pters.asp.	use words like "if", "then", "for all" and "there	http://parcconline.org/samples/mathematics/grade-
Mathematics Assessment Project Formative	exists." In the process of learning to solve	<u>6-slider-ruler</u>
Assessments/Tasks	equations, students should learn certain "if - then"	
• Solving Equations in One Variable:	moves: e.g. "if $x = y$ then $x + c = y + c$ for any c." The first requirement in this domain (PED) is that	<u>http://www.parcconline.org/samples/mathematics/high-</u> school-seeing-structure-equation -
http://map.mathshell.org/materials/lesson	students understand that solving equations is a	
s.php?taskid=442 (8.EE)	process of reasoning (A.REI.1).	
• Sorting Equations and Identities:		
http://map.mathshell.org/materials/lesson	Have students reason through problems with careful	
s.php?taskid=426#task426 (A-SSE, A-	selection of units, and how to use units to understand	
REI)	problems and make sense of the answers they	
Manipulating Polynomials:	deduce.	
http://map.mathshell.org/materials/lesson	Example	
s.php (A-SSE, A-APR)	As Felicia gets on the freeway to drive to her	
Defining Regions of Inequalities:	cousin's house, she notices that she is a little low on	
http://map.mathshell.org/materials/lesson	gas. There is a gas station at the exit she normally	
<u>s.php?taskid=219&subpage=concept</u> (A-	takes, and she wonders if she will have to get gas	
REI)	before then. She normally sets her cruise control at	
Interpreting Algebraic Expressions:	the speed limit of 70 mph and the freeway portion of	
http://map.mathshell.org/materials/lesson	the drive takes about an hour and 15 minutes. Her	
<u>s.php?taskid=221&subpage=concept</u> (A-	car gets about 30 miles per gallon on the freeway,	
SSE, A-APR)	and gas costs \$3.50 per gallon.	
Comparing Investments:	a. Describe an estimate that Felicia might do in her	
http://map.mathshell.org/materials/lesson	head while driving to decide how many gallons	
<u>s.php?taskid=426&subpage=concept</u> (A-	of gas she needs to make it to the gas station at	
SSE, F-LE)	the other end.	
NCTM Books:	b. Assuming she makes it, how much does Felicia	
Developing Essential Understanding for	spend per mile on the freeway?	
Teaching Mathematics in Grades 9-12		
	Students will create multiple ways to rewrite an	

•	Implementing the Common Core State	expression that represents its equivalent form.			
	Standards through Mathematical Problem	http://a4a.learnport.org/page/algebra-tiles The use of			
	Solving: High School	algebraic tiles to establish a visual understanding of			
NC	TM Illuminations	and coefficients			
•	Pan Balance – Expressions:				
	http://illuminations.nctm.org/ActivityDetail.a	Writing in Mathematics			
	<u>spx?id=10</u>	Think-Ink-Pair-Share			
•	Exploring Equations:	Think-Pair-Share			
	http://illuminations.nctm.org/LessonDetail.as	Purposeful Grouping			
	<u>px?ID=L746</u>	Every Pupil Response (EPR) strategies for whole			
•	Algebra tiles:	group instruction:			
	http://illuminations.nctm.org/ActivityDetail.a	 I humbs up/thumbs down Individual White Decards 			
	spx?ID=216	 First of Five 			
•	Function Matching:	Signal Cards			
	http://illuminations.nctm.org/ActivityDetail.a				
	<u>spx?ID=216</u>				
Ot	her Resources				
LA	USD Adopted Textbooks: Glencoe Algebra 1				
		LANGUAGE GOALS			
Stu	dents will be able to use mathematical vocabulary	to explain orally and in writing parts of an expression/eq	uation/inequality using such vocabulary as terms,		
fac	tors, and coefficients.				
Stu	Students will describe the relationship between a linear equation and a system of linear equations.				
Stu	Students will explain how to solve an equation to a partner. The partner should retell what was explained to them.				
Stu	Students will write, in their own words, an explanation of linear equation.				
Sil	<i>Example</i> : The unknown variable is the cause of the solution demonstrates that				
	PERFORMANCE TASKS				
LA	LAUSD Concept Lessons – http://math.lausd.net/middle-school/algebra-1-concept-lessons				
-To	ommy's T-Shirts -Storage Tanks				
-Su	rround the Pool -Calling Plan				
-St	acking Cups				
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Comparing Investments: <u>http://map.mathshell.org/materials/lessons.php?taskid=426&subpage=concept</u> (A-SSE, F-LE)					

DIFFERENTIATION					
FRONT LOADING ACCELERATION	INTERVENTION				
 Prerequisites: Familiarity with order of operations, exponents, variables, coefficients, function, domain, quadrant, x-axis, y-axis, line, fractions, integers, equation, rational numbers, irrational numbers, real numbers, expressions by utilizing sentence stems, language frames, visuals, and cloze reading. Experience in problem solving, reading and communicating, estimating and verifying answers and solutions, logical reasoning, and using technology. Students must be able to use the language of mathematical occurred to a barb the value of the problems. Students should become proficient in the use of scientific calculators and graphing calculators to enhance their understanding of mathematical ideas and concepts. Students should become proficient in the use of scientific calculators and graphing calculators to enhance their understanding of mathematical ideas and concepts. Due to their intuitive understanding of mathematical ideas and concepts. 	 Design an activity involving currency conversions or deriving quantities such as person-hours and heating degree-days, social science rates such as per-capita income, and rates in everyday life such as points scored per game or batting averages. Teachers utilize concrete models such as Algebra tiles for an extended period of time. Have students verbalize what they are doing through words, pictures, and numbers. Students are encouraged to justify their thinking using targeted mathematical vocabulary. Students practice creating an expression that describes a computation involving a general quantity. Students are encouraged to restate word problems in their own words. Students are provided opportunities to teach the concept to each other. An abstract concept is represented in a variety of ways, such as concrete examples, words, symbols, drawings, and acting it out. Emphasize purposeful transformation of expressions into equivalent forms that are suitable for the purpose at hand. 				